

## **REMARKS**

Claim 1 is allowed. Claim 2 is rejected under the judicially created document of obviousness-type double patenting over U.S. Patent No. 6,690,328, which is the parent to the present continuation application.

## **DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION**

Claim 2 is rejected under obviousness-double patenting. The Applicant would be willing to submit a terminal disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent No. 6,690,328 upon indication of allowance of the existing claims herein. While the originally pending claim 1 has been indicated as allowable, in this Response the Applicant adds some additional claims for review. If those claims appear to be in order for allowance, the Applicant would request that the Examiner telephone the undersigned, who can then prepare and submit a terminal disclaimer to address the obviousness-double patenting rejection of claim 2.

## **CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

Claims 1 and 2 have been amended to further clarify and focus the claim language. The Applicant submits that both claims are in an allowable form, and particularly claim 1 still remains in an allowable form, as earlier indicated by the Examiner.

## **NEW CLAIMS**

Claims 3-5 are new claims that depend from claim 1 and, thus, are also in an allowable form.

Claim 6 is a new independent claim directed to a communication system incorporating an antenna array with closely mounted power amplifiers and a first RF to fiber transceiver mounted adjacent the antenna and a second RF to fiber transceiver mounted remotely from the first RF transceiver and coupled with the first RF transceiver by an optical fiber cable. The Applicant submits that claim 6 is also in an allowable form, as are new claims 7-9, which depend from claim 6.

## CONCLUSION

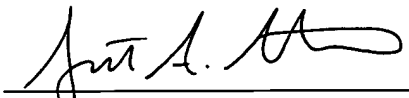
Applicant submits that the currently pending claims are in an allowable form and, therefore, requests a Notice of Allowability of the application at the Examiner's earliest convenience. If any issues remain in the case which might be handled in an expedited fashion, such as through a telephone call or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is certainly encouraged to telephone the Applicant's representative or to issue an Examiner's Amendment.

Applicant encloses a check for \$120 for a one-month extension of time to file the Response herein. Applicant know of no other fees due with this submission. However, if any additional charges or credits are necessary, please apply them to Deposit Account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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